

APPENDIX
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the pending claims as follows:

Claims 1-21 (Canceled).

Please add the following new claims:

Claim 22 (New): A method for reducing shedding of *E. coli* O157:H7 in an animal which comprises administering to the animal an effective amount of a vaccine composition containing *E. coli* O157:H7, wherein the vaccine composition comprises inactivated or killed whole *E. coli* O157:H7, a metabolizable oil adjuvant and optionally a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 23 (New): The method according to Claim 22 which further comprises administering an effective amount of *Lactobacillus acidophilus* or neomycin medicated feed supplement to the animal.